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1. FOLLOWING IS FULL TEXT MEMORANDUM OF CONSULTATIONS
SIGNED MARCH 20:

DELEGATIONS REPRESENTING THE GOVERNMENT OF AUSTRIA AND THE
GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA MET IN WASHINGTON
FROM MARCH 17-20, 1975, AT THE REQUEST OF AUSTRIA, TO DIS-
CUSS CERTAIN QUESTIONS RELATING TO THE SERVICES PROVIDED BY
THE US AIRLINE UNDER THE AUSTRIAN-UNITED STATES AIR TRANS-
PORT AGREEMENT OF JUNE 23, 1966. A LIST OF THE MEMBERS OF
THE TWO DELEGATIONS IS ATTACHED.

THE AUSTRIAN DELEGATION STATED THAT AUSTRIAN AIRLINES NOW
CONCENTRATES ON SCHEDULED SERVICES WITHIN EUROPE AND HAS NO
PLANS TO SERVE THE AUSTRIAN ROUTES IN THE BILATERAL AGREE-
MENT. IT REQUESTED THAT THE ROUTE SCHEDULE OF THE AIR
TRANSPORT AGREEMENT BE AMENDED BY DELETING THE INTERMEDI-
ATE POINTS FOR AIRLINES DESIGNATED BY THE UNITED STATES AND
MAINTAINING POINTS BEYOND AUSTRIA EXCEPT THOSE WITHIN IATA
TRAFFIC CONFERENCE AREA 2. THE US DELEGATION SAID THAT IT
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COULD NOT ACCEPT THIS PROPOSAL. THE AUSTRIAN DELEGATION

MAINTAINED ITS POSITION AND STATED THAT AUSTRIA MIGHT REQUEST FURTHER NEGOTIATIONS TO REVIEW THE SITUATION IN DUE COURSE.

THE US DELEGATION STATED THAT TRANS WORLD AIRLINES (TWA) WOULD BEGIN SERVICE TO VIENNA ON APRIL 1 VIA ZURICH. THE AUSTRIAN DELEGATION STATED THAT AUSTRIA HAD NO OBJECTION TO THE OPERATION OF THIS SERVICE WITH FULL TRAFFIC RIGHTS.

THE US DELEGATION ADVISED THAT, EFFECTIVE MAY 1, 1975, TWA'S SERVICE TO VIENNA WOULD BE OPERATED VIA GENEVA. THE AUSTRIAN DELEGATION EXPRESSED ITS CONCERN THAT TWA WOULD UNDULY AFFECT THE SERVICES WHICH AUSTRIAN AIRLINES PROVIDES ON THE GENEVA-VIENNA SEGMENT, AND IT REQUESTED THAT TWA NOT EXERCISE TRAFFIC RIGHTS BETWEEN GENEVA AND VIENNA. THE US DELEGATION COULD NOT ACCEPT THIS REQUEST IN FULL. HOWEVER, IN LIGHT OF THE STATEMENT MADE BY THE AUSTRIAN DELEGATION WITH REGARD TO AUSTRIAN AIRLINES PLANS FOR US SERVICE AND IN ORDER TO MEET THE AUSTRIAN CONCERNS WITH REGARD TO THE GENEVA-VIENNA SEGMENT, THE US DELEGATION STATED THAT TWA WOULD UNDERTAKE TO LIMIT ITS CARRIAGE OF TRAFFIC BETWEEN GENEVA AND VIENNA TO THROUGH US-VIENNA TRAFFIC AND TO TRAFFIC STOPPING OVER IN GENEVA, AS SHOWN BY THE TICKET OR WAYBILL, ON THE UNDERSTANDING THAT THE US AUTHORITIES COULD VOID THIS UNDERTAKING AT ANY TIME AFTER APRIL 1, 1976, UPON AFFORDING THE AUSTRIAN AUTHORITIES ADEQUATE TIME TO REQUEST PRIOR CONSULTATIONS. THE US DELEGATION ALSO STATED THAT THE UNITED STATES WOULD GIVE PRIOR NOTICE AS FAR IN ADVANCE AS POSSIBLE, AND IN ANY EVENT AT LEAST 60 DAYS IN ADVANCE, SHOULD TWA DECIDE TO SERVE VIENNA VIA A POINT OR POINTS OTHER THAN GENEVA.

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CHAIRMAN, AUSTRIAN CHAIRMAN, UNITED STATES
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